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Arab bookstore bombed in Paris by 'Massada' anti-terror group

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS — A Jewish anti-terrorist movement called "Massada" said yesterday it had blown up a Palestinian bookstore and information centre in Paris early yesterday morning as a warning against "anti-Semitic terrorism."

The explosion, at 1.30 Wednesday morning, blew out the door and damaged a lot of literature and books in the interior. There were no casualties. The bookstore is in the 20th arrondissement of Paris, at 24 rue de la Réunion.

An hour after the explosion, the following text was read to news agencies in Paris. "In reply to the terrorist campaign against Israel and Jews, Massada has carried out its first operation. A small explosive charge was placed outside the Palestinian bookstore on the evening of October 3. Anti-Semitic terrorism will be answered by Jewish terror. This act serves as our first warning."

French police sent out the same anti-bomb squad despatched to the Israeli Embassy last week, when two letter bombs arrived there. A sign found on a nearby parked car outside the library read "Massada" in Hebrew.

French police said that "Massada" was an extreme right-wing group with several dozen militant members.

Immediate reaction came from the French section of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (P.L.O.) which said, "We look on this cowardly blow as a provocative act designed to damage Franco-Arab relations. We have confidence that the French authorities are capable of finding the guilty and punishing them."

The French section of the General Union of Palestinian Students said

that "Zionist terrorists" were "deliberately confusing anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism, hoping to cause a wave of emotion in the French public."

It is the first time that an attack has been carried out against an Arab firm or agency, although there have been minor incidents like smashing the windows of the Syrian Airlines office.

Last month tracts were sent out to Arab embassies signed "Jewish Army of Liberation," threatening to blow up Arab embassies and airlines.

Arab sources in Paris commented yesterday that there have never been any attacks against French Jews in France. Last month police reported the arrest of two North Africans, distributing pamphlets which claimed there was a list of French Jews to be liquidated.

Some reports said Paris police suspected that "Massada" was connected to the right-wing Herut party, but Herut leaders in Israel denied ever hearing of "Massada" before the explosion.

Members of the militant Jewish Defence League in Israel, which has promised its own campaign of terror against Arabs and has been implicated in a plot to smuggle arms abroad denied any direct ties to the Paris group. But a J.D.L. spokesman commented "This is only the beginning. More will come. Paris will cease to be a centre for Arab terrorism."



Outside the bombed Palestine bookshop in Paris, gendarmes look at the sign left on a parked car by the "Massada" right-wing group, which claimed credit for the blast. (AP radio photo)

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Letter-bomb at Rome office of Hias agency

ROME (UPI) — A Jewish refugee relief organization received a bomb in the mail yesterday, police said. Bomb disposal experts opened the envelope and defused the device.

Police said the envelope was addressed from Penang, Malaysia, to the Rome office of the United Hias Service. The office director grew suspicious and called the police.

An explosives expert cautiously opened the envelope and found it contained two strips of cloth impregnated with explosive, and one thin metal sheet designed to rub against them and set them off if the envelope was torn open.

A card inside the envelope bore the name of the Black September terrorist organization in Arabic and English.

Shell kills Judea woman

Jerusalem Post Military Reporter

EBERON. — A woman from the nearby village of Beit Auwa, Khadra Maslama, 45, was killed on Tuesday night by a stray mortar shell fired during military manoeuvres in an adjacent firing and training area. She was outside her house, on the way to call on her neighbour, when she was hit.

Military and civilian police are investigating the incident, but by late last night had reached no final conclusions.

Beit Auwa is near the pre-1967 armistice lines between Israel and Jordan, on the Jordan side.

New Danish P.M. would heal party rifts

COPENHAGEN (UPI) — Premier-designate Anker Jorgensen said yesterday he would work to reunite his Social Democratic minority government after the divisive battle over entry into the Common Market.

The 58-year-old trade union leader made the statement shortly before the party confirmed him as successor to outgoing Prime Minister Jens Otto Krag.

Foreign Minister K.B. Andersen, the Acting Premier, invited leaders from the five parliamentary parties to his office after the meeting, to see whether there was a parliamentary majority for a minority government headed by Jorgensen.

Vinogradov sees Sidky in Cairo

CAIRO (UPI) — Soviet Ambassador Vladimir Vinogradov, who returned to Cairo on Tuesday after a six-week absence, conferred yesterday with Prime Minister Aziz Sidky, the Middle East News Agency said.

Political sources said it was possible that the meeting discussed Sidky's forthcoming visit to the Soviet Union.

Vinogradov's return, as well as the return of Egyptian Ambassador Yehia Abdel Kader to Moscow, and the announcement of Sidky's visit, marked a thaw in Egyptian-Soviet relations, the sources said.



Defence Minister Moshe Dayan speaking to U.J.A. leaders at his home in Zahala last night. Beside Mr. Dayan are Mr. Irving Bernstein, U.J.A. executive vice-chairman, and (standing) Mr. Paul Zuckerman, U.J.A. general chairman. (Israel Sun photo)

Dayan: Soviets won't defend Syria's skies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Russians are not likely to protect the skies of Syria as they did Egypt's skies, in the event of war with Israel, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said yesterday.

Mr. Dayan, who addressed the Tel Aviv branch of Motezet Ha-poalot, the Working Mothers' Organisation, said the Russians have increased their penetration of Syria by means of arms supplies and political support, but they have not committed themselves to take an active part if the war should resume. So far, he said, the Russian aid has taken the form of materiel, not personnel, though that "might also come."

The Defence Minister said Israel is not indifferent to the "signals being sent out by Jordan," but there is a great gap between the conditions for peace required by the two countries, and peace is therefore "not on the threshold." Jordan is prepared to accept slight border changes only, he pointed out, "while even the minimalists in Israel demand substantial boundary changes. Aside from the boundary changes, there are also the questions of Jerusalem's status and of the Arab refugees, he added.

He said that instead of waiting for the next phase, Israel should "come to grips with the problems of living together with the Arabs in the territories."

"It is the sixth year since the war, and the third year of the ceasefire," he said. "Time has done its work. The interim arrangement has been worked out not in the Waldorf Astoria, but by the realities of the situation."

Later last night, at a meeting with the annual U.J.A. Study Conference led by general chairman Paul Zuckerman, the Defence Minister said at his home in Zahala: "I hope there will be no war in the coming year. I believe the Russians did not withdraw from this area completely, but learned a lesson and drew a conclusion that it is not worthwhile to enter into active war with Israel."

Under those circumstances Mr. Dayan said, "I think the Arabs will not renew total war against us."

Reports Soviet may let ransom 'fade away'

By SAM LIPSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Senator Henry Jackson formally introduced his amendment which would link trade concessions to the Soviet Union with the education tax on Jews in the Senate yesterday, amid reports that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko had told President Nixon about Russian readiness to make a "gesture" on the tax.

The Jackson amendment now has 86 co-sponsoring senators and is virtually certain to become law. According to reports in the "Washington Evening Star" Mr. Gromyko, aware of the growing congressional opposition to trade agreements with Moscow, said while the Soviets were not ready to remove the tax from their books, they were prepared not to enforce it "in all cases."

The "Star" report said there was a hint from the Soviet Union that the levy would be allowed "just to fade away."

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Bonn outlaws two Palestine organizations

BONN. — The West German Interior Ministry outlawed two Palestinian groups in West Germany last night and confiscated their assets.

As the Interior Ministry announced the prohibition of the General Union of Palestinian Students (GUPS) and the General Union of Palestinian Workers (GUPA), Bonn diplomatic officials in the Middle East were informing governments there of the West German decision and explaining its necessity.

By 7 p.m. last night, West German police ended a lightning strike against the two organizations, occupying their wide-spread offices and branches through the country.

The ban followed several days of expulsions of members of the two groups.

GUPA, with some 28 branches and 1,000 members, depended on conspiracy and secrecy, and endangered the internal security and the public order in West Germany, the Interior Ministry said in defending the ban. GUPS is said to have from 600 to 800 members.

Apparently to soften the blow of the bans, which were bound to further exacerbate tense relations between Bonn and Arab capitals, the Ministry announced at the same time that new, eased entry procedures for Arabs had been introduced.

Following the massacre of Israeli Olympic athletes in Munich last month, Bonn stepped a mandatory visa requirement on all Arabs.

In justifying the bans, the Interior Ministry said GUPA condones political murder, and considers force a means for political conflict. GUPA members have taken part in at least one forceful action in West Germany — occupying the Jordanian Embassy in Bonn, according to the Ministry.

One must further reckon with the possibility that Palestinian terrorists would try to support the preparation and execution of further acts of violence in West Germany through the existing GUPA organization, the Ministry said.

Cairo says all terrorists out of S. Lebanon

By ANAN SAFADI
Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The terrorists have withdrawn the remnants of their forces from all of southern Lebanon, from the Mediterranean to the slopes of the Golan Heights, according to Cairo reports.

The Egyptian state-controlled news media said yesterday that the terrorist Executive Committee decided to pull out following an agreement with the Lebanese authorities on the evacuation of south Lebanon. Cairo's semi-official "Al-Ahram" said that both the terrorist leadership and the Lebanese authorities refused to disclose where the terrorists had moved to.

In fact, the terrorists have not been in the region since it was swept by an Israeli combat operation last month. Their return was banned by a Lebanese military order which Beirut stuck to even amid threats of an open confrontation with the terrorists. The Cairo reports indicated that the terrorists agreed to withdraw their members from the region following the weekend mediation of Kuwait's Minister of Interior and Defence, Sheikh Sa'ad el-Abdullah as-Sabah. The withdrawal was aimed at depriving Israel of excuses to carry out its "expansionist ambitions" in south Lebanon, the Cairo press said.

"Al-Ahram" said the terrorists' withdrawal was total. But it was thought here that the sabotage organizations were still maintaining observation posts in the area, in accordance with the 1969 Cairo agreement. With this agreement apparently still in force, the two sides were believed to have secretly outlined an amendment to govern their present relations.

What seems to be clear is that the terrorists have indeed called off their return to Lebanon's southern towns and villages where anti-terrorist feelings mounted after Israel's retaliatory incursions there last month.

The Lebanese southern frontier is expected to be quiet for some time now.

The terrorist leadership is expected to turn its attention to two major issues: Sadat's call to form a government in exile, and new plans aimed at combating Jordan, which remains the terrorist movement's arch foe in the Arab world.

Lebanon yesterday ended the state of emergency in force for more than two weeks, but exempted the southern part of the country from the decision.

Last 10 Rabbinate electors chosen

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Minister for Religious Affairs, r. Zerach Warhaftig, yesterday appointed the last ten rabbis to the Rabbinate electoral college, after his dispute with Justice Minister, Ya'acov Shimon Shapir, over the list had been ironed out by the Prime Minister. With the appointment of these ten, the 150-man electoral college is complete, and the elections are assured for October 15.

All four declared candidates — incumbent Chief Rabbi Isser Chuda Unterman and Yitzhak Issim, and the challengers Shlomo Oren and Ovadiah Yosef — yesterday secured the 25 signatures of electoral college members necessary to endorse their official candidatures. At least seven of the ten rabbis appointed by the Religious Affairs Minister yesterday were known to supporters of the Goren-Wisniznik camp, according to Israel Radio. Unterman supporters put the figure on higher. None of the ten is an Unterman-Yosef supporter, and the other three are supporters of the Goren-Wisniznik camp.

The ten names are: Rabbis Yosef Ghisberg — Givatayim, Shimon Dayan — Pa'amey Teahav, Ezra Adaya — Haifa, Mordechai Lopez — Tel Aviv, Moshe Malka — Petah Tikva, Moshe Na'aman — Hazav, Mordechai Frankel — Haifa, Yosef Kapach — Jerusalem, Yehuda Shiret — Afula, and Eliezer Shapir — Jerusalem.

Asked whether he was aware that most of the ten were confirmed Goren supporters, Justice Minister Mr. Shapir told *The Jerusalem Post*: "That is an unfair question. You cannot ask me why I chose A instead of B."

The spokesman for the Religious Affairs Minister said it is impossible to know how a man is going to vote in advance.

The feeling in the Unterman-Yosef camp seems to be that the forces were pretty evenly matched before the last ten names appointed by the Cabinet, but these may have tipped the scales.

Meanwhile, Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu last night denied reports from pro-Goren quarters that he was siding with Rabbi Ovadiah Yosef against Rabbi Nisim. "I restrain myself from expressing my opinion," the Speaker told *The Jerusalem Post*. "Firstly because my position demands it, and also because I prefer not to be involved."

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City	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Jerusalem	49	15-27	15-28
Golan	55	18-27	17-28
Nahariya	55	18-29	18-30
Safed	55	18-29	18-30
Haifa	66	21-27	22-28
Tiberias	49	20-32	21-34
Nazareth	55	18-29	18-30
Afula	63	17-30	18-31
Shomron	57	18-29	18-30
Tel Aviv	77	20-26	20-27
Lod	53	18-28	19-29
Jericho	38	20-27	20-28
Gaza	44	18-29	19-30
Beersheba	44	18-29	19-30
Eilat	41	26-34	26-35
Tiran	41	26-34	26-35

Social and Personal

Ambassador Rawdon Dalrymple of Australia, and Ambassador Nkulupa Lumbindu Lonjali of Zaire, yesterday presented their credentials to President Shazar.

A delegation of 30 high-ranking Austrian officials, including Members of Parliament, mayors and senior Government officials, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu.

Members of a group from the Royal College of Defence Studies in England yesterday visited the Hebrew University and were received by the president, Avraham Harman.

Dr. Alexander Raffael, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Manufacturers Association, was yesterday host at luncheon at the Avia Hotel to 16 commercial and economic attaches to foreign embassies in Israel.

Nehemiah and Nehama Cohen of Washington, D.C., who established the Cohen Institute of Solid State Physics at the Weizmann Institute of Science, yesterday visited the institute and were the luncheon guests of president and Mrs. Albert Sablin.

The Promised Land Ltd., 10 Rehov Hilel, Jerusalem, and 5 Rehov Shalom Aleichem, Tel Aviv, congratulates Mr. Peter Nathan on the occasion of his birthday.

BIRTH
LEIVIAN — To Hana and Yair, a daughter, sister to Gidat, at Hadasah Hospital, Jerusalem, on Tuesday, October 3.

ARRIVALS
Interior Minister Yosef Burg, from Strasbourg, where he participated in a conference of local authorities affiliated to the Council of Europe. By El Al.
Mr. M. Bourgois and Mr. M. Meite of the Ivory Coast, as guests of the Labour Ministry and ORT, to study technological and apprenticeship educational systems in Israel (by Air France).
Mr. Ehsanul Fazel, chairman of the Israel Association of Architects and Engineers, on a tour of Europe, North America and Mexico, in preparation for the Third World Congress of Engineers, which will be held here next year.
Dr. Haim Darin-Drapkin, director of Chiron, from a conference on cooperative housing which was held in Santiago, Chile.
Mr. Lambert and E. Brichard of the Clerical Guild of the company of Sabena, for the dedication of the new Phoenicia glass plant in Haifa (by Sabena).

DEPARTURES
Mr. Shmuel Aynal, newly appointed Consul-General of Israel in Toronto, to assume his duties there (by El Al).
Prof. Isaac Lewin of the Department of Psychology at Bar-Ilan University, for Basel, to attend the European Congress for Sleep Research.

'Olim should be partners in immigration work'

TEL AVIV. — Knesset Member Yitzhak Korn called on the Absorption Ministry yesterday to make the various immigrant associations partners in absorption work, and said some 800 members of the Rumanian Immigrants Association were ready to offer their services.
Mr. Korn was speaking at a press conference here called to describe preparations for the October 11-12 convention of the Association, which he heads. The convention, to be held at the Bnai Brith hall here, will be attended by 410 representatives of the Association's 43,000 members.
Rumania's Chief Rabbi, Dr. Moshe Rosen, arrived in Israel yesterday for a week's visit, which will include attending the convention and participating in the associated celebrations marking the 80th anniversary of Rumanian settlement in Israel. (IHA)

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Fear of inflation
Sapir: Taxes will go down in 1973

By MARK SEGAL, Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir yesterday reiterated his intention to reduce taxes during 1973. He told the Alignment Economic Affairs Committee that "income tax in Israel is too heavy, it discourages people from working and causes demoralization."
The Minister also announced that indirect taxes would not go up in 1973. Taking issue with his critics, Mr. Sapir firmly denied that his proposed tax cuts had anything to do with next year's elections. He pointed out that the proposal to reduce taxes followed the recommendation of the Asher Tax Reform Committee, which started working in 1971 — well before election year. He also denied Mapam charges that tax cuts would remove the progressive element in taxation. Mr. Sapir pointed out that, under his proposals, a man earning IL500 a month would not pay tax, and 85 per cent of the income of a man earning IL600 would be tax-exempt.

The Finance Minister registered his fear that it would take longer to complete the next state budget than the present one, and reported that discussions had already begun on the defence and education budgets.
He concurred that ways must be found to offset the possible inflationary effect of his tax cut proposals. He denied that the Finance Ministry was only taking up those proposals of the Asher Committee



Children swamp the "Monster" yesterday, as the sculpture is officially opened to the public. (Weiss)

Monster unveiled in Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Egged and Dan bus cooperatives appear to be moving closer to an eventual merger.
The chairman of the Egged management committee, Yosef Harari, and his Dan counterpart, Yosef Horowitz, met with Transport Minister Shimon Peres and his deputy, Gad Ya'acobi, in Tel Aviv on Tuesday evening. At the 15-minute meeting they informed the Minister that their cooperatives were agreed in principle on a merger. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Moshe Kashti, chairman of the commission which had been examining the feasibility of such a merger.
As a condition for amalgamation, the cooperatives are asking the Government to pass a public transportation law. Such a law would be designed to assure the new giant organization of a partnership in every new transportation project undertaken by the Government, including expansion of the railway system, underground and other rapid transit systems. It would also protect the new cooperative against all competition and curtail the use of trucks for passenger transport.
Another condition is that the Government cover the joint deficit of the two cooperatives, which is over IL150m.
Transport Minister Peres has for some time advocated a Dan and Egged merger, and it is likely that he will reactivate the Kashti Committee which stopped its investigations eight months ago. The Government feels that a unified bus

Russians stage hunger strikes in two absorption centres

Jerusalem Post Staff
Spontaneous hunger strikes by immigrant Soviet academics broke out this week at a Netanya live-in wpa and an Ashkelon absorption centre, in the wake of friction between the immigrants and the personnel running the institutions.
The 160 Soviet academics at Netanya's Goldmintz Upan staged a six-hour hunger strike on Tuesday after wpa director Asher Cohen had two of them thrown out of their room and denied all meals. The strike ended only after an Absorption Ministry official visited the wpa and the two men — an architect and a mathematician — were restored to their room.
The two men involved are Arye Belotserkovsky, 36, an architect from Kiev, and Roman Tsachashvili, a Georgian mathematician. They had been unable to find suitable housing when their wpa course ended two months ago, so they stayed on in the room they had been sharing.
The wpa director had been trying for some time to force Belotserkovsky and Tsachashvili to move in with another pair of immigrants; but the two men, said it would be impossible for them to concentrate on their professional studies living four in a room. Last week, director Cohen gave the two an ultimatum to get out within seven days.
On Monday, the two returned to their room to find that all their belongings and bedding had been dumped in the corridor and two other immigrants installed in their place. When one of them went to the director's office to protest, the latter called the police; but the complaint was later dropped.

Australian Bartlett wins J'lem tennis tournament

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
Australian Davis Cup squad member John Bartlett, 24, yesterday annexed the men's singles crown of the Jerusalem Invitation Tournament at the Y.M.C.A. racing to a 6-1, 7-5 last-round victory over defending champion Hank Irvin of Rhodesia.
Hitting with power and accuracy, Bartlett tied up the opening set in just 15 minutes and established a 4-2 lead in the second. His opponent then came back strong and went ahead 5-4, but Bartlett was not to be denied revenge for his defeat by Irvine in the Succot Championships, and fittingly ran out a winner with 10 aces in the 45-minute final.
Yesterday morning Bartlett took 90 minutes to beat America's Tom Karp in the semi-final, which was left unfinished on Tuesday evening after two hours on court. The Australian eventually took the third set 12-10, for an overall 3-6, 7-8, 12-10 victory.
Bartlett and his compatriot Syd Ball — one of the international circuit's well-known regular partnerships — proved far too experienced for Karp and his fellow-American Raul Cornell in the men's doubles final, winning a rather one-sided contest 6-2, 6-1.
At the prize-award ceremony, presided over by Y.M.C.A. sports

Australian Bartlett wins J'lem tennis tournament

director Ze'ev Loewendahl, Bartlett received a new trophy donated by the Government Sports Authority. The handsome cup was presented by Archie Davidson, secretary-general of the Israel Lawn Tennis Association.

Football team demands its manager resign

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Haifa Hapoel footballers yesterday refused to take the field for a National League match against Hakoah in Ramat Gan.
The Haifa Hapoel players demand the resignation of their club's manager, Yitzhak Ben Ze'ev, who has been in dispute with coach Uwe Klemmichovsky. The players fully support the coach, who left this week for Germany but informed the players he would return once Ben Ze'ev resigns.
Haifa Hapoel is due to play its next game on Saturday against Jerusalem Betar. Developments involving the Haifa Labour Council and the Football Association are expected before the weekend.
The F.A. Disciplinary Committee will meet today to discuss the matter.

391 Sharett music, art grants awarded
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Sharett Fund scholarships for promising artists were awarded Tuesday to 391 students of music and visual arts. The Sharett Scholarships pay half the tuition fees in any recognized educational institution. The total amount of money involved in the project this year was IL380,000, of which IL60,000 was collected locally and the rest coming from the American-Israel Cultural Foundation, Mr. Yeshayahu Spira, chairman of the scholarship committee of the Fund, told the press here yesterday.
At the concert which followed the ceremony at the Mann Auditorium yesterday, Justice Haim Cohn, the new chairman of the Israel Advisory Board of the foundation, took leave from Mrs. Judith Gottlieb, who is retiring after a 27-year association with the fund. Justice Cohn replaces Mr. Yitzhak Navon, M.K.
Judge Shulamit Wallenstein, Mrs. Ayala Zachi, Prof. Shneur Lifson, Prof. Zvi Werblovsky, Dr. Yehoshua Rotenzweil, Mr. Ebaruch Yekutieli, Mr. Ya'acov Rechter and Mr. William Strum have been coopted to the Advisory Board, it was stated.
The Sharett fund has resolved to help an experiment to see whether young people with a "good ear" but no musical training could benefit from study. Twelve youths from Mahane David, near Haifa, have been chosen for the project. They receive lessons at the Fund's expense.

Bar-Lev gets proposal for coordinating Israeli exports

By AARON SETTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Duplication and lack of coordination in promoting Israel's exports could be eliminated according to a set of recommendations sent recently to the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Haim Bar-Lev.
The suggestions, prepared at the Minister's request by a team including experts from the Productivity Institute, seek to lay down guidelines for the activities of five official and semi-official bodies dealing with exporters. These are the Ministry's own Foreign Trade Department, the Export Institute, the Israel Company for Fairs & Exhibitions, Atid Inc. of New York, and the Market Research Unit in Tel Aviv.
The study says the Foreign Trade Department should set basic policy on export promotion and look after the budgetary backing for it. The Export Institute, located in Tel Aviv, would offer direct assistance and technical advice. The Institute would also maintain constant con-

Demand Gov't cover deficit Egged, Dan seen close to merger

transport system would result in greater efficiency and better service for the public, it is reported.
Egged, about four times the size of Dan, long has been cool to the idea of a merger. Lately, however, there has been a movement in favour of merger among the members.
The cooperatives several weeks ago set up a parity committee with four members from each side, to examine the economic basis for a merger. It is on the recommendation of this committee that Tuesday night's meeting was held.
The Egged spokesman told The Post last night, that in spite of the recommendation of the parity committee, many Egged members are still undecided and the decision can not yet be considered final.

\$40m. worth of heroin seized in Rio

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP). — Brazilian and Argentinian police said they seized \$40m. worth of heroin yesterday aboard a U.S. freighter. It was the biggest drug haul in Brazilian history.
Agents found five brown plastic-like bags hidden in a shipment of Argentinian sheepskins in the cargo hold of the New York-based ship Mormacraft. Police said they contained a total of at least 60 kilograms of pure heroin. The U.S. Government's Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs aided in the operation, the U.S. Embassy confirmed.

Beit Berl asks academic status

TEL AVIV. — The Beit Berl college in Zofit has applied to the Council for Higher Education for accreditation as an academic institution entitled to grant baccalaureate degrees.
Prof. Zvi Yavetz, chairman of the college's academic council, told a press conference yesterday the college does not intend to become a university granting advanced degrees, but its graduates are entitled to an academic degree upon completion of their studies.
The college has enrolled 500 students for the current academic year, which begins October 15. It has courses for training teachers, community and youth leaders, and business administrators for public institutions. Future plans call for amalgamation of the college with the Kibbutz Teachers' seminary. (IHA)

Mosquito plague in Tel Aviv due to sewage

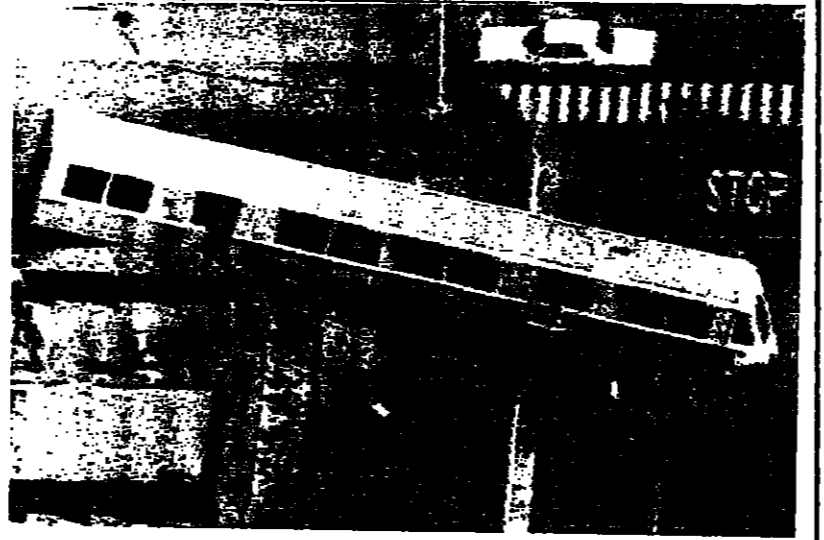
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Residents of North Tel Aviv and of the suburbs north of the Yarkon River are being plagued by swarms of mosquitoes. The City spokesman said the pest descended on the town as a result of a pump failure in nearby Ramat Hasharon, which resulted in the spilling of great quantities of sewage in open fields.
Tel Aviv has requested that the Ramat Hasharon Local Council act urgently to stop the sewage flow, but at present the sewage is still running in small streams along the Haifa-Tel Aviv railway line.
This creates an excellent breeding ground for insects, despite the fact that both the Yarkon River and Council and the Dan Region Sanitation Union have been spraying the area with insecticides. The Tel Aviv City spokesman says that, as long as the sewage remains in the open, no spraying action will be totally efficient. The Ministries of the Interior and Health have been alerted about the situation, and their intervention has been requested.

Copenhagen mayor guest of Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Mayor of Copenhagen, Mr. Urban Hansen, and Mrs. Hansen were yesterday the guests of the Tel Aviv Municipality. Following a reception in City Hall by Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Mayor Hansen and his party were taken on a tour of the city.
In his words of greeting to Mr. Hansen, Mayor Rabinowitz noted that Copenhagen's mayor was himself "one of the leaders of the Danish resistance movement during the Nazi occupation and took a prominent part in the rescue of the Jews of Denmark."
Mr. Hansen said he was deeply impressed with the genuine sympathy which the people of Israel have towards the Danes.
The Hansens visited the Hadasah-Hebrew University Medical Centre in Jerusalem on Tuesday.

Americans for McGovern in Israel

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STOP — TRAIN. — This was the scene in Fremont, California, Monday, after a Rapid Transit System train overrode the Fremont station, plunging through a sand barrier and wire fence before coming to a halt — nose down — in a parking lot. (Note "Stop" sign on the lot's pavement.) Four passengers were treated for minor injuries and released, but the train's attendant, Eli Palmer, 36, was hospitalized with possible internal injuries. Bay Area Rapid Transit is the newest, most modern system in the U.S. (AP Wirephoto)

Ze'ev Frankel of Beit Alfa dead at 62

Jerusalem Post Reporter
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'GOOD FOR THE ECONOMY' Ex-bank head says Gov't dabbled in black market

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
Dabbling by the Government in the local dollar black market during the 1950s and '60s was revealed last week in the Jerusalem District Court by Josef Voet, former general manager of the Union Bank and at present an occasional economic correspondent for *The Jerusalem Post*. He was witness in a suit against Mr. Shlomo Isaacs, accused of smuggling foreign currency out of the country.

The Official Treasury response yesterday to Mr. Voet's statement was: "The Government is not trading dollars on the black market," to comment was made about Mr. Voet's revelations about the past.

SOLD DOLLARS

The witness himself refused at first to speak in court about this subject, and only did so when required to by the judge, Zvi Eliakim. He reported that on instructions from the Controller of Foreign Exchange in the Treasury, his bank had, at intervals, stipulated sums of dollars via agents, who received small commission. Identity of the buyers was unknown to Mr. Voet or to the Treasury. It only came out during the exchange on a "free" market is illegal, and offenders who are detected incur penalties under the law.

The practice was not unknown among the general public at the time. It is understood that this semi-legal participation by the authorities in shady monetary transactions was motivated by a desire to restrict the scope of the mar-

'Police tried to have Lansky extradited'

LOD AIRPORT. — A high-ranking police officer met with the late F.B.I. chief, J. Edgar Hoover, some months ago in the U.S., in an unsuccessful attempt to get Meyer Lansky extradited, it was learned here yesterday.

The police officer, who was not named, had gone to the U.S. expressly to see Hoover on the Lansky matter. He asked the head of the F.B.I. to try to find some count on which the U.S. could officially ask Israel to hand over the reputed Mafia figure, but Hoover did not comply. (Lansky has been refused Israeli citizenship and may not remain here.)

J'lem halts illegal building

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Jerusalem Municipality yesterday obtained court orders to halt the construction of 10 apartment buildings and five penthouses being built without permits.

The moves were in line with the Municipality's new get-tough policy against illegal building.

One order was issued against Shikun Uftach for five buildings that has begun in Ramot Shearit. The builders had obtained preliminary approval by a subcommittee of the Local Planning Committee, but the full committee has not yet made its decision.

Another order was issued against Shikun Ovdan for five penthouses and four buildings which has started to build in Rehov Hashahel, in Givat Mordechai. The penthouses are being added illegally to eight-story buildings which were built with approval. The Municipality said a court order would be sought for the demolition of the penthouse structures, which have not yet been completed. As for the four illegal buildings, only foundation work had been started.

A third court order was obtained against the construction of a four-story building in Najada Street in Givat Shaul.

Too many cooks...

TEL AVIV. — A fight between two cooks at the Hilton Hotel here on Tuesday ended with one of the two in hospital with a knife wound.

The fight between the two men, identified only as Kirun and Bat Yam residents, was said to have grown out of a dispute over their work relations. As the fight progressed, the Kirun cook, 41, reportedly hit the Bat Yam cook, 50, who allegedly countered by stabbing him.

The Kirun man was taken to Ichilov Hospital. Police are investigating. (Tm)

1971/72 budget surplus reached IL191.5m.

By AARON SEITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The Government had a budgetary surplus of IL191.5m. for the 1971/72 fiscal year, Accountant-General Haim Stoessel told economic reporters in Jerusalem yesterday.

"The excess of receipts over expenditures would have been IL225.6m.," Mr. Stoessel said, "were it not for the IL34.2 deficit shown in the operations of Government companies last year."

The figures Mr. Stoessel released were contained in a 623-page report prepared as a general review by the Accountant-General's office for use by the State Comptroller.

Among the other items in the report were the following:

- Income tax — the Government collected IL145,055,146 less in income tax during last year than it had expected.
- Israel Bonds — thanks to a greater volume of sales of Israel Bonds than anticipated, the revenue from these development loans was approximately IL92m. greater than had been forecast.
- Defence expenditures — the Defence Ministry's budget for 1971/72 showed a surplus of IL57,894,621, attributable to a cut-back in procurements, from the sum estimated.

Development spending — continuing a trend begun in 1970/71, less money was spent on development schemes than had been planned and approved. Thus, while the development budget provided for IL2,511,885,005 to be spent for such programmes, only IL2,310,228,693.21 was used — a "saving" of IL201,656,312.

Interest income — the Government earned approximately IL342m. in interest on its deposits in banks, which was about IL100m. more than it got from this source a year earlier and approximately IL65m. more than it thought it would earn this year.

LOAN PAYMENTS
Turning to preliminary figures for the current fiscal year — 1972/73 — Mr. Stoessel said that during the first six months the Government has expended approximately \$210m., compared with \$60m. in the same period last year. This was due mainly to the Government's eagerness to repay foreign loans in order to save interest charges.

Mr. Stoessel stressed the Treasury had done this with its own funds, without borrowing from the Bank of Israel.

Mod traffic down in September

JD AIRPORT. — Tourist travel was down in September by 31 per cent over the preceding month, figures released yesterday show. But it was noted there has been a sharp swing in arrivals since the beginning of October.

The figures show only 156,977 passengers passed through the terminal here this September, as against 227,948 in August. But the number for 1972 total was still 4 per cent greater than the 150,870 for September 1971. But this is solely due to a big jump in unit passengers — 11,344 last month, compared with 8,000 in September of last year. Arrivals last month were 74,705; departures were 825.

THE FIRST VOLUME of a new e-volume Arabic-Hebrew dictionary, edited by Prof. Moshe Goshen-Gottstein, head of the Department of Ancient Semitic Languages at Hebrew University, is due to appear shortly.



MINI-SALUTE. — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir (far right) was made a Freeman of Holon yesterday, in recognition of his "work for the State of Israel and the City of Holon." Above, he and the Mayor of Holon, Pinhas Eylon and his wife, and the secretary of the Holon Labour Council, Mr. M. Blon (far left) are greeted by Holon school children. Mr. Sapir promised that 25,000 apartments for young couples will be ready by the end of 1973. He added that the Government is doing "all it can" to alleviate the housing situation, but that "only a programme which is carried out quietly, without fanfare and not under the pressure of hysterics, stands any chance of success." (Isaac Freidlin)

Wage talks bog down in banks, services

By DAVID KRIVINE, Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
Two sectors of the economy have yet to end their collective wage negotiations for the biennial period 1972-73 — banking and the public services — and they have got into dead water. Employees in Bank Leumi (whose contract is a model for the other banks) declared a work dispute Tuesday, which means they could strike as of October 17. Employers have applied to the Government Conciliator for mediation, and in the public sector, negotiations with the Civil Servants Union show little progress, while the customs men are conducting a separate wage dispute.

Mr. Mordechai Wertheimer, official spokesman of the Civil Service Commission, points out that this is not permissible.

"A clause in the draft of the collective agreement specifies that all negotiations concerning Government departments should be conducted by the Union. The Union can coopt representatives of this or that works committee to its negotiating team if it likes," Wertheimer says.

Negotiations with the Union were almost completed a month ago, until it reversed its stand on agreed matters and came up with fresh demands, he says. Mr. Wertheimer comments: "The only two issues undecided at the time were a requested shorter working week for mothers with two children under 14, and a claim that the professional literature allowance start at Grade 12 instead of Grade 16.

"We could have resolved these two items but for the civil servants' new demands — which, by the way, the Clerical Workers Union did not adopt." (Negotiations are going on jointly with the two unions — the C.W.U., representing the local authorities, the universities, Kupat Holim, etc.)

The near-settlement would have granted an increase of 5.9 per cent over and above the framework agreement. But the clerical workers will not sign anything not accepted by the civil servants.

The Commission deals with other unions for the non-administrative, professional services; and here again the bargaining sides are far from agreement. "Schoolteachers (elementary and secondary) want a hike of more than 100 per cent. There is no possibility of meeting them halfway, so we have referred the matter to the Cabinet," Mr. Wertheimer told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Bank Leumi workers put in for a rise of 60-70 per cent, after having gained a one-third increase last year; but the Clerical Workers Union (to which bank staffs belong) insist that they do not expect to get so much. So far management has agreed to give 9 per cent over and above the framework agreement — an offer that the staff committee will not accept.

COMMON TALKS URGED
A spokesman for the management side in Bank Leumi told *The Post* yesterday that he wished wage negotiations could be held between the Union and the banking sector as a whole, rather than by each bank with its own works committee. The chief difficulty is that there is no standard wage scale in the banks, and the highest salaries are in Bank Leumi.

A threatened strike in Ashdod City Hall was averted Tuesday, thanks to the intervention of a Labour Ministry conciliator, who persuaded city fathers to restore full signature rights to the Treasurer, Yitzhak Elgazar. But the Town Council proposes instead to fire Mr. Elgazar if the works committee agrees. The reason, allegedly is that the man is not up to his job, now that Ashdod has become a big city. Informal sources predict that Elgazar will go with the workers' blessings — provided he gets a sufficiently golden handshake.

Hyatt House decision may come tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The fate of the Hyatt House Hotel may be decided finally at a special meeting of the District Planning Commission in Jerusalem tomorrow.

Appearing before the Commission will be representatives of the hotel investors who had originally proposed a 23-story structure, and of the architectural advisory panel which recommended to the Commission that the height be limited to four stories.

A source on the Commission told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that it was difficult to predict which way the Commission would decide. Those members who are architects and engineers appear to favour the four-story limitation. It is not clear, however, how the Commission members who represent various Government ministries and the Lands Authority will vote.

The Students Committee for a Beautiful Israel plans to hold a demonstration at 9 a.m. outside the General Building, where the Commission offices are located.

Tot poisoned by insecticide

Jerusalem Post Reporter
RAFAH. — An 18-month-old local boy died of poisoning on Tuesday after being left in a field his father was spraying with parathion insecticide.

The father had taken his son, Na'amak Mussa Shehadeh, with him when he went to spray the field with parathion, which is lethal to humans if breathed in large enough amounts. The child was rushed to Shifa Hospital in Gaza, where he died several hours later.

Gaza farmers have been periodically warned of the dangers involved in using this insecticide.

Man stabs wife, hangs himself

HADERA. — A man from Or Alkiva reportedly killed his wife and then hanged himself on Tuesday night, while the couple's teenage sons were at the movies.

The oldest son, 17, found Marco Yonkovic, 37, hanging from a tree in the yard of their home when he returned at 11 p.m. When he tried to enter the house, he found the door was locked. He then looked through a window and saw his mother, Sophie, 51, lying on the floor.

Police investigators arrived quickly and found the woman lying in a pool of blood, with a blood-stained knife on a table next to her. Later, they found the key to the house in the husband's pocket. The couple's two other sons returned home shortly afterwards, and said their father had suggested they go to the movies that night. (Tm)

Jenin to choose new chamber of commerce

Jerusalem Post Reporter
JENIN. — Local merchants here will today elect eight members to the Chamber of Commerce for a four-year term.

The elections, open to 355 merchant-voters, are the first since the chamber was founded in 1953, and 20 candidates are competing. The incumbent deputy Chamber chairman, Nadmi Anis Nafa, said yesterday that the elections were requested by some of the merchants, who had appealed to the Military Governor and other officials for the elections on the grounds that the Chamber was not carrying out its duties.

Seamen's centre opens in Haifa
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The Walter Dalman Seamen's Centre, the first to be erected by the Seamen's Welfare Authority, was officially opened yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. Walter Dalman, widow of the late Seamen's Union secretary, cut the ribbon at the entrance to the building in Persia Street.

The building, which formerly served as the American Consulate, was purchased and reconducted for I.L.M. contributed by the partners in the Authority: the Transport Ministry, the shipping companies, the Seamen's Union and the Eliastrut.

The director of the Authority, Reuven Palzur, announced that the house would serve as a community centre for seamen's families and as a home for the foreign sailors whose ships call at Haifa. Construction of a second seamen's centre will start shortly in Eilat.

Volvo recall doesn't affect cars in Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Worried owners of Volvo cars have been flooding the distributor's office in Tel Aviv with telephone calls following a story in *The Jerusalem Post* of recalls by the company in Sweden. A wire service story in *The Post* quoted the Swedish morning paper "Dagens Nyheter" as saying the Volvo is recalling some 150,000 vehicles to replace a malfunctioning fan and to check steering assemblies.

Mr. Israel Kass, manager of Mayers Cars & Trucks, Tel Aviv, the distributors of Volvo in Israel, told *The Post* yesterday that Volvo owners in Israel have no reason for concern. In the first place, the recalled cars are of the 1967-68 model, and Volvo only started being distributed here in 1968, he said.

Also, the part being replaced is not the heater blower, as the wire services reported, but the engine fan. This fan has been found faulty in some cars, he said, but none of these cars have been exported to Israel since export models going to countries with hot climates are equipped with larger radiators and fan assemblies.

The checking of steering assemblies also only applies to cars shipped to northern climates, Mr. Kass said. It appears that in cars parked in high speed, dirt can penetrate into the open steering linkage assembly and cause malfunctioning, he explained.

Israeli Arab spied for Syria, gets 40 months

NAZARETH. — An Israeli Arab was sentenced to 40 months in prison by the District Court here yesterday after he admitted to spying for Syria.

Yussuf Mohammed Mahmud Sabah, 37, of Arab el-Shibli, in Galilee, pleaded guilty to the charges of having provided Syrian intelligence with military information between 1963 and 1967. He admitted having given them details of Israeli army movements, reserve mobilization procedures and army camps.

The prosecutor told the court that Sabah had passed his information on to Syrian intelligence officers on the Golan Heights before the Six Day War.

P.L.F. men get 10 years for Gaza attack

Jerusalem Post Reporter
GAZA. — Two members of the Palestine Liberation Forces, convicted of throwing a grenade in 1971, were sentenced to 10 years in prison by a military court here yesterday.

The two, Ahmed Abu-Hateira and Zakarya Abdullah Halaby, both 20-year-old Gaza residents, were picked up shortly after a November 3, 1971 incident, in which terrorists seriously injured a local resident with a grenade thrown at a military vehicle in Gaza. The men were found to have joined the P.L.F. in September of 1971.

The army prosecutor, Segen-Mishne Yaron Rabinovitch, had demanded 30-year sentences for the two, on grounds that recent light sentences handed down were encouraging a reappearance of terrorism in the Strip. But Brigadier Haim Ehad, the court president, said that while he agreed in principle — the present quiet justified his giving the men only 10 years.

Group of Soviet olim here

LOD AIRPORT. — Two Soviet Jews who arrived here yesterday after serving 15-month sentences in a Soviet labour camp claimed the situation of Jewish prisoners in Russia was "becoming worse every day."

The immigrants, Arkadi Voloshin, 26, and Lazar Trechtner, 26, were convicted in Kishinev of anti-state activities, stealing a typewriter and distributing Zionist leaflets.

They told airport newsmen Jewish prisoners in Russia face what they called growing anti-Semitism from the guards and prison management and other prisoners.

The new arrivals, part of a large group, spoke Hebrew, which they said they learned secretly at the Potma labour camp.

Silva Zelmanson, a 28-year-old prisoner said to be seriously ill from tuberculosis, has been transferred to a special punishment prison for six months for trying to help another Jewish prisoner, they said.

The immigrants said they were told by Jewish dissident leaders that more than 100,000 Jews were ready to leave for Israel immediately, and the number was growing. Officials of the Jewish Agency here predicted about 30,000 Soviet Jews would arrive by the end of the year, about double last year's figure.

Liberal Int'l scores Soviet ransom tax

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — The recent Congress of the Liberal International in Paris unanimously passed a resolution demanding that the U.S.S.R. abolish the diploma ransom levied from professionals who wish to leave.

This was related last night by Knesset Member S. Z. Abramov, head of the Liberal Party's delegation to the Congress, on his return from Paris. Mr. Abramov also said Dr. Elimelech Rabinat, Liberal Party chairman, was elected vice-president of the Liberal International, in place of the late Yossef Sapir.

A petition against the ransom and in demand of free immigration for Soviet Jews will be circulated throughout the country, starting Monday, by various women's organizations, the Presidium of the Public Council for Soviet Jewry was told at its meeting yesterday. The petition will be sent to the Secretary-General of the U.N.

Speakers at the Presidium session pointed out that the present outcry over the ransom fees has tended to divert attention from the many other obstacles imposed on Jewish immigration by the Soviet authorities.

NEW MOSQUE was dedicated yesterday at Mashhad, four kilometers outside of Nazareth. The IL800,000 structure took two years to build.

Red Crescent for Gaza town

Jerusalem Post Reporter
GAZA. — The Military Government has approved the establishment of a local branch of the Red Crescent — the Moslem equivalent of the Red Cross and Magen David Adom — it was announced yesterday.

Gaza Mayor Rashad Shawa and Dr. Khader Abdul Sha'a are on the organizing committee currently seeking money and members and arranging for the election of a Red Crescent council next month. The new body will be the first voluntary organization set up in the Gaza Strip since the Six Day War.

Group of Soviet olim here

Newcomers say situation of Zionist prisoners worsening
The two men were met at the airport by Trechtner's wife, Tanya, and Voloshin's fiancée, Ella Gittelman, who arrived a few months ago. Also on hand were representatives of Gvat and Beit Hashita, two kibbutzim which "adopted" the two Zionist prisoners. (Tm)



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British P.M. Edward Heath exchanges gifts with Pope Paul VI in the Vatican yesterday. The most urgent issue in their 80-minute meeting appeared to be the strife in Northern Ireland. (AP radiophoto)

Ulster Protestant chief escapes car ambush

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (UPI). — The leader of Northern Ireland's militant Protestants escaped an assassination attempt yesterday. Two other men were found shot to death in apparently motiveless murders. William Craig, leader of the right-wing Ulster Vanguard Movement, escaped unhurt when would-be assassins fired three bullets into his car. Shaken, he told police he was driving on a small country lane near Lisburn, 12 km. south of Belfast, when a car behind him sped up to pass. The dark car, driven by a man with a woman in the passenger's seat, pulled level. Then, Mr. Craig said, a gun was pushed through the window and opened fire. Mr. Craig swerved and stopped. The attackers' car sped away. William Whitelaw, Britain's Minister for Northern Ireland, appealed yesterday for an end to the "wall of silence" which surrounds 67 cold-blooded murders in the past six months. The latest two assassinations were discovered yesterday. "In the past 24 hours we have seen further examples of the depths to which the terrorist elements in

Northern Ireland can sink," Mr. Whitelaw said in a statement. "It is perfectly clear that these killings, motivated as they appear to be either by sectarian feelings, extremist factions or by a criminal blood lust, have outraged the whole of this community." **MURDER GANGS** He said "murder gangs have no place in any civilized society." Those with any information, "however unimportant it may seem to them, have the gravest obligation to make it available at once in order that we may see the perpetrators of these horrifying crimes brought to justice," Mr. Whitelaw said. Police investigating yesterday's two deaths met with the now-familiar wall of silence. James McCartan, 21, a Roman Catholic fork-lift driver, was found huddled and shot through the head near the strongly Protestant Bee Street. Many residents must have heard the shot which killed him. None would talk. The other body, found near the Roman Catholic Lower Falls Road, had not been identified. He was shot in the face and neck. Residents nearby stayed in their houses as police took his body away. They told detectives they had neither seen nor heard anything. Mr. Whitelaw's administration has offered a reward of £50,000 for information leading to the arrest of the "murder gangs." A telephone system for anonymous tips has been established. There has been no response.

Nader says Nixon Gov't 'most corrupt in history'

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — America's famous consumer watchdog, Ralph Nader, charged yesterday that President Nixon's Administration was the most corrupt in American history. He also said that the U.S. Congress was run by White House special interests and elderly committee chairmen, not by the people. Mr. Nader, who won fame as an advocate for car safety measures, made his remarks at a press conference to unveil a book called "Who runs Congress," the first section of a massive study of Congress by his research organization. Mr. Nader touched on the presidential campaign when he said "The Nixon Administration is the most corrupt in U.S. history," a remark made also by Nixon's election opponent, Senator George McGovern. But Mr. Nader, who has in the past tried to avoid becoming involved in partisan politics, insisted his criticism of the Administration did not mean he had sided with Senator McGovern. He said the President alone was not at fault for government corruption. "We need the entire rotten government in this city removed," he said. He called on Congress to hold a special session at the end of

next year. This would give time for citizens' groups and Congress itself to consider what changes were needed in such areas as committee jurisdiction, seniority, secrecy, rules, campaign finance, disclosure of interest groups and absenteeism. **CONGRESS JOBS** He said that, according to the Constitution, Congress was responsible for taxation, expenditure and declaring war, to cite only a few of its functions. But today, Mr. Nader said, the White House and the Treasury Department wrote almost all the tax bills and the White House in many cases, did not spend the money legislated by Congress. Another obvious instance of erosion of congressional influence, he said, was the war-making powers which enabled Presidents Johnson and Nixon to start the Vietnam war while Congress looked on as a spectator. The book is part of Mr. Nader's "Congress Project" which will include studies of all members of Congress. Many conservative congressmen have charged that studies are aimed at preventing them from being re-elected, but Mr. Nader says they simply provide information in such fields as the Congressman's voting record in order to help people cast intelligent ballots.

Two Syrians get death as spies for Israel

DAMASCUS (UPI). — The Supreme State Security Court sentenced two Syrians to death after finding them guilty of spying for Israel, judicial sources said. The two, Yassin Bahaa Diab and Thajla Ahmed Thajla, were accused of "crossing into the occupied territories, contacting members of Israeli intelligence, and passing information harmful to the national security." The court said the two also communicated with Israeli intelligence agents through "the postal system of a foreign country."

Albania forfeits chess game with Israel

SKOPJE, Yugoslavia (UPI). — Albania refused to play a scheduled match with Israel yesterday in the first political dispute of the 20th chess olympiad, tournament officials said. "I also don't like the idea of playing against the Albanians but sport is sport and I'll show up for the match," said Israeli first board player and international master Yair Kratman. Officials said Albania's refusal to play would automatically give the Israel team four game victories. Albania and Israel are in a B division of 16 teams that do not compete for Olympic medals. In the seventh round, Israel and Peru stood even at 15-15, with one game unfinished. At this point Israel was fifth in its group of 16. In the A division, the Yugoslav team yesterday widened its lead over 15 other nations competing for three medals. Midway through the tournament final phase of 15 rounds, Yugoslavia led the field with 21 points scored in 25 games, Hungary and defending gold medalist Soviet Union each had 18.5 points.

Tempest in a pepper mill

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP). — Two hundred pepper mills sent through the mails by a proud father started a new letter bomb scare. Twenty-five recipients promptly called the police. Explosives experts cautiously dissected one of the offending objects Tuesday night and found a note inside announcing the birth of Esther Delora Feepet. Her father, insurance broker Fred Feepet, said he thought of the idea because his last name is Dutch for pepper. He promised to think of something else next time.

U.K. Labour would revamp links with Europe, U.S.

BLACKPOOL, England (AP). — Opposition Labourites yesterday pledged a radical revision of Britain's relations with its American and European allies, if a Labour Party government regains power. They resolved at the party's annual convention to demand the removal of the U.S. Polaris submarine base from Holy Loch, Scotland, and of U.S. H-bomber bases from other parts of Britain. The 1,200 delegates also unanimously proclaimed their opposition to British possession of nuclear weapons, indicating that a Labour-ruled Britain would, one-sidedly, abandon its role as a nuclear power. They insisted that a future Labour government must stop paying dues to — and boycott the agencies of — the European Common Market, unless and until that trading bloc eases the terms of British membership. These and other decisions, if carried out, would mean totally recasting Britain's foreign and strategic policies, thrusting the nation toward a neutral position. The convention, however, rejected one proposal calling specifically for Britain's withdrawal from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Nato, although it endorsed as a main aim "the dissolution of Nato and the Warsaw Pact." The drama of the day's debates and votes focused mainly on the party's attitude toward the Common Market, with one major issue under scrutiny. This was whether a Labour government should have the backing to keep Britain in the Market in the hope of winning new terms — or whether it should walk out at once, on the grounds (as one resolution said) that membership would "deny national independence to the British people." In terms of the immediate future much of the argument seemed academic. Prime Minister Edward Heath's Conservative Party seems safe in power until mid-1976. Britain will enter the Market in January 1973.

Tigers clinch A.L. East 'Laughter' kills 3 in French store

NEW YORK (AP). — The Detroit Tigers made it two straight victories over the Boston Red Sox Tuesday night with a 3-1 victory and clinched the American League East title on the next to last day of the season. A seventh-inning run-scoring single by Al Kaline snapped a 1-1 tie and provided the winning run that ended one of baseball's closest races. Southpaw Woodie Fryman, with relief help from Chuck Seelbach in the eighth, gained the victory over Luis Tiant, the Red Sox starter. The Tigers now go to Oakland where they meet the Oakland A's Saturday in the opener of the AL Playoffs. Pittsburgh meet Cincinnati in the best of seven games N.L. Playoff.

ANGOULEME, France (AP). — A man opened fire with a Winchester carbine in a crowded department store yesterday, killing three children and seriously wounding several employees. He was disarmed by a policeman who happened to be in the store, and identified by employees as a man who had been wandering through the store on several successive days, buying nothing and laughing without reason. The dead were an 11-year-old boy whose identity was being withheld, and the daughter, 14, and son, 11, of a doctor's wife shopping in the store. The man burst into the store carrying the carbine and two knives, and started firing at random into the crowd.

Bid to buy Colosseum



Thomas Merrick, who wants to buy the Colosseum, displays pictures of it. (AP radiophoto)

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A real estate broker from Rome is returning home with a \$10,000 check she hopes to use as a down payment on the Colosseum. The check, being carried by Fausta Vitall, is from Thomas Merrick of Laguna Beach, who says he is willing to pay \$1m. for the Roman amphitheatre and up to \$2m. repairing it. The ancient Colosseum has fallen into disrepair and Roman authorities have closed all but a small portion to visitors.

Polling ends in Sudan elections

KHARTOUM (Reuter). — Polling ended yesterday in Sudan's national elections to choose a 207-member "People Council," part of President Ja'afar el-Numeiri's promise to lead Africa's largest state back to constitutional rule. Results are due to be announced today. Task of the council will be only to write a new constitution within six months. It will then be dissolved to pave the way for new elections to be held under the new constitution. The elections are the first in Sudan since 1968.

Cairo names ambassador to Bonn

CAIRO. — Relations between Egypt and West Germany, strained since the Munich massacre, took a turn for the better yesterday with the long-awaited appointment of an Ambassador to Bonn. The selection of Ismail Fahmy, under-secretary of the Foreign Ministry, came as no great surprise to diplomatic observers. He served as Egypt's ambassador to Austria for five years, and speaks German, French and English. However, the appointment, which comes four months after relations between the two countries were restored, makes it clear that Cairo wishes to resume formal relations despite accusations and counter-accusations since the Munich massacre. Fahmy returned to duty a few days ago, after extended leave of absence for allegedly suggesting the Soviet Union do more for the Arab cause. Two months after this was reported, President Anwar Sadat sent thousands of Soviet military experts home, when he did not get the advanced arms he sought. Meanwhile also in Cairo, official talks between Yugoslav Prime Minister Dzemal Bijedic and his Egyptian counterpart, Aziz Sidky, started yesterday, the Middle East News Agency said. (AP, UPI)

Two Yemens clash in new border fighting

SANA'A, North Yemen. — The border war between the two Yemens in the south-west of the Arabian Peninsula has flared up again, according to North Yemeni Information Minister Ahmad Dahmash, quoted by the Middle East News Agency yesterday. In a dispatch from Sana'a, capital of North Yemen, the agency noted Dahmash as saying on Tuesday: "Southern Yemeni forces are still shelling the cities of the Republic along the border, despite the fact that Democratic (Southern) Yemen has requested a cease-fire." Earlier on Tuesday a North Yemen military spokesman said fighting had subsided after seven days of and the border was calm after Southern troops evacuated the northern town of Kataba. There were no immediate reports of the situation along the border yesterday. Dahmash said more than 100 persons were killed and hundreds wounded in the attack on Kataba, which the Northerners claim was captured after a 15-hour air and artillery bombardment on Sunday. Southern officials denied ever firing planes against Kataba or seizing the town and called for a cease-fire — a call the Northerners then rejected "until Kataba is freed." The Marxist regime of Southern Yemen — formerly the British colony of Aden — and North Yemen which seeks to follow a moderate, neutralist line in foreign affairs, have fought battles at their joint border for more than a year. The Southerners have claimed North Yemen is seeking, along with Saudi Arabia, to overthrow the Adeni regime, and charges it gives refuge to Southern political exiles. The Northerners accused their neighbour of ambushing and killing 65 tribal leaders who went to make peace with the South earlier this year.

Libya, Kuwait and Egypt, was created last month by the 18-nation Arab League Foreign Ministers conference. It is to visit South Yemen as well. A South Yemeni opposition leader claimed on Wednesday in Beirut that the government has given the Soviet Union air and naval bases in the country, under a secret treaty concluded in 1970. The claim was made at a news conference in Beirut by Sheikh Hussein Mansour, a former president of the Federation of South Arabia which was formed in South Yemen during the British colonial rule in 1964. Mansour who said he fled Aden two months ago produced what was purported to be the summary of a 12-clause secret military pact, under which the Soviets set up air and naval bases in South Yemen in return for \$4m. in annual rent for 20 years. He claimed the treaty gave the Russians the right to use Aden and the tiny island of Socotra as bases for "naval exercises and other military purposes." He did not say where the air bases were established, however. The Aden government has frequently denied reports in the Western press, that Socotra has been turned into a base for the Russian fleet in the Indian Ocean. (UPI, AP)

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FOREIGN PILOTS In a statement released by the Southern Yemeni embassy in Beirut, the Adeni regime yesterday accused the North of making false accusations that foreign pilots were flying its aircraft on bombing missions, as a pretext to expel foreign advisers. Beirut newspapers have quoted official Sana'a sources as saying the government was planning to expel Soviet military advisers, because Soviet pilots flew warplanes for Southern Yemen in the latest fighting. A North Yemeni official said the South was using foreign pilots but he did not specify their nationality. Arab press reports have put the number of military advisers in North Yemen variously between 50 and 200. A five-man committee of the Arab League left Cairo for North Yemen yesterday in hopes of finding a peaceful solution to the current confrontation between the two Yemens. The committee, composed of representatives from Algeria, Syria,

Japan legislators to visit Taiwan

TOKYO (AP). — Former Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi and 19 other Japanese parliamentarians will visit Taipei for Nationalist China's National Day celebrations October 10, officials reported yesterday. The delegation will be the first group of parliamentarians to visit Taiwan since Japan established diplomatic relations with Communist China September 29. All members of the group have long supported the Nationalist government of President Chiang Kai-shek, and most of them opposed establishment of Tokyo-Peking ties.

As November 7 nears Air raids mount to stop Vietcong assaults

SAIGON. — The U.S. command ordered a stepped-up B52 bombing campaign in the Saigon region yesterday to counter Communist command plans for a wave of attacks timed to influence the U.S. presidential elections next month, senior officials said. Senior officers reported that South Vietnamese field commanders had shifted their forces closer to Saigon, to defend major installations near the South Vietnamese capital, including the big bases at Binh Hoa and Long Binh, where hundreds of American support troops and airmen are still stationed. They said chances of an infantry attack on Saigon itself were remote, but the capital could come under attack by rockets and saucers. "The centre of gravity has shifted to the South," said one senior U.S. officer, referring to the Saigon region. Thirty B52 bombers struck targets on four sides of Saigon, U.S. officers said. The strikes were aimed primarily at new stockpiles of war materiel, and were ordered intensified after earlier raids proved successful. Over North Vietnam, Typhoon Lorna sharply curtailed U.S. air

operations, military sources said. The U.S. command reported only 120 fighter-bomber strikes over the North on Tuesday. The U.S. Seventh Fleet reported that the Enterprise, the world's only nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, returned to the war zone on Tuesday, and some of its 75 jets few missions against targets in South Vietnam. The overall strength of the Seventh Fleet is six carriers. South Vietnamese troops yesterday dislodged Vietcong units from a town 40 km. north of Saigon, and reopened the second of two vital highways to the capital's food-producing regions. U.S. military spokesmen said the Communists may have closed the roads to isolate the capital before the U.S. election. A disabled South Vietnamese serviceman yesterday tried to burn himself to death in front of the Senate building in Saigon, in protest against Hanoi's proposal for a coalition government in South Vietnam. He was only lightly burned, police said. He was taken to the Saigon hospital for treatment. (AP, UPI, Reuter)

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CHINA ATTACKS SOVIET M. EAST POLICY

UNITED NATIONS. — Chinese Deputy Foreign Minister Chiao Huan Hua, in an attack on Soviet Middle East policy, said on Tuesday one should believe the sensational nonsense deliberately spread by a superpower that no counter-attack should be made against Israel's armed aggression for that would spark a world war.

In the first Chinese policy speech, the General Assembly since Peking replaced Taiwan last year, Mr. Huan Hua lashed out at Soviet Union and the United States and repeated the Chinese positions on the Middle East, Vietnam and Angkor Wat. He indicated that China was willing to see the Security Council veto abandoned, and he called for a revision of the U.N. Charter "so as to effect truly the principle that all member states, big or small, are equal."

In a reference to terrorism, a central topic at the current Assembly session, Mr. Huan said: "The Chinese Government has always opposed assassination and hijacking of individuals as a means for waging political struggle and is also opposed to terrorist acts by individuals or handfuls of people divorced from the masses, because they are harmful to the development of the cause of national liberation and people's revolution."

Condemn Israel

"But we strongly condemn Israel for the recent barbarous aggression and massacres it has committed against Lebanon, Syria and other Arab countries on the pretext of the Munich incident."

In apparent reference to Egypt's recent expulsion of Soviet advisers, Mr. Huan said recent developments showed that "the heroic Arab people will not allow others to ride on their backs and lord it over them for long. They have taken determined action to shake off superpower domination."

He also charged that the Soviet Union had asked the Arab states, in effect, to buy "scrap iron" instead of weapons, by not permitting them to use the arms against Israel.

The Soviet Union, he said, "demands privileges and bases, and attempts to subvert their government." He asked, "What kind of 'friend' is this? It is more dangerous than an open enemy."

He supported demands for the withdrawal of both Soviet and U.S. jets from the Mediterranean.

In his 5,000-word speech, attacks on the Russians were more frequent and sharper than those on the S. He ridiculed the U.S.-Soviet arms agreement as marking "the beginning of a new stage in the nuclear arms race."

Arms race

"These agreements," Mr. Huan said, "only stipulate some limitation on the quantity of certain categories of nuclear weapons in the possession of the Soviet Union and the U.S., but impose no limitation at all on their quality, nor do they mention a single word about the structure of nuclear weapons. It is a step towards nuclear disarmament."

"On the contrary, this marks the beginning of a new stage in the U.S.-Soviet nuclear arms race," Mr. Huan said.

"China he said is ready to stop her nuclear tests, but only on the day the nuclear weapons of nuclear superpowers and all other nuclear countries are completely prohibited and thoroughly destroyed."

On Indochina, he said "The Chinese Government... will firmly support the three Indochinese peoples' fight to the end."

On Bangladesh, Mr. Huan repeated that China would veto its mission to U.N. membership again the General Assembly asks the Security Council to reconsider its application. The Chinese vetoed the mission on August 25. (Reuters, AP)



Firemen neck-deep in foam fought a fire underneath a Baltimore, Maryland bridge on Tuesday. The fire started when a truck carrying 7,800 gallons of petrol collided with a car and the spilled petrol ignited. No serious injuries were reported from the fire. (AP radiophoto)

WHITE COUPLES ADOPTING BLACK CHILDREN IN U.S.

NEW YORK (UPI). — About 35 per cent of black children adopted each year in the U.S. enter white homes — a statistic that would have been inconceivable only 10 years ago.

The adoption of blacks by white couples is only one aspect of an overall increase in adoptions of American Indians, Mexican-Americans, Orientals, retarded and physically handicapped children by whites. But it is the most dramatic aspect, providing irrefutable evidence of a profound change in stereotyped American views on race.

"A lot of wonderful young American white couples love children and don't care what colour they are," said Miss Ann Hargreaves of Manhattan's Windham Children's Service, which places children for adoption.

Statistics are hard to come by, but a just-completed national survey of public and private agencies by Opportunity, a division of the Boys and Girls Aid Society of Oregon, showed that a total of 7,420 black children were placed in adoptive homes in 1971, of which 2,574 were adopted by white couples. This compares to 2,374 such adoptions in 1970, 1,447 in 1969 and 738 in 1968.

Blacks were adopted by whites in at least 45 states last year, according to Opportunity, which received no breakdown on transracial adoptions from three states — Idaho, New Mexico and South Carolina. Only Alabama and Louisiana reportedly no blacks placed in white homes.

The National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW) took a "vehement" stand against transracial adoption at its convention in Nashville, Tennessee, early this year. NABSW president Cecil J. Williams announced plans for a drive to recruit black adoptive parents and asked the 1,000 members of the organization's New York chapter to adopt black children.

Only "nuts" "There are enough black parents," he said. "We've just got to encourage them to adopt black children out of institutions."

"Let's face it," said Mrs. Jane Edwards, black head of New York's prestigious Spence-Chapin Adoption Service, "transracial adoption was frowned on by social workers 20 years ago — even 10 years ago because it wasn't right for the child. We thought white people who wanted to do it were nuts." Then it began happening in Canada with obvious success and social workers became more educated about motivations, more enlightened.

The Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) undertook in January the first major study of the effects of adoption of black or part-black children by whites. The Federal Office of Child Development is funding the three-year survey. The CWLA will interview a total

Laser used successfully in surgery

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — An invisible laser beam that cuts more sharply than any scalpel has been used successfully to remove dead skin from burn victims and to repair damaged internal organs in animals, medical researchers report.

Dr. James Fidler, director of the University of Cincinnati Medical Centre's laser laboratory, discussed his research team's new surgical laser at the opening of the college of surgeons 58th annual clinical congress here on Monday.

Dr. Fidler said the technique uses an electric arc to excite molecules of carbon dioxide gas until they send out a beam of intense, highly focused and coherent radiation.

When aimed at tissue through a microscope, this laser beam's bursts of invisible light produces a spot of heat less than a hundredth of an inch deep, enabling it to cut more precisely than any scalpel, Dr. Fidler said.

The laser has been used on four severely damaged burn patients to vaporize dead, unwanted skin instantly and without any bleeding, the study reported. The excised area was so clean that skin grafts took more quickly than after conventional surgery, Dr. Fidler said.

Repairing organs

He said experiments on animals give hope the laser will be useful in surgery to repair vital organs such as the liver, which now frequently causes death after rupturing because it contains an extremely high number of blood vessels.

Bursts of radiation from the carbon dioxide beam were used to slice away damaged liver tissue in dogs, Dr. Fidler said. The laser neatly severed and sealed the end of each blood vessel, reducing bleeding by half.

The beam also completely vaporized the dead tissue, leaving no surgical debris at the site of the operation, thus greatly reducing the risk of infection, Dr. Fidler said.

Since their introduction to surgical use a decade ago, lasers have been used for a variety of purposes such as sealing off leaky blood vessels in the retinas of diabetics, removing tumours from cancer victims, and even sealing the surface of teeth in dental patients.

Dr. Fidler said the greatest problem with surgical use of lasers is their unwieldiness and the difficulty of aiming them inside a patient on an operating table.

JEWISH AGENCY MUST KEEP ITS PROMISES

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court delivered on May 14, 1971 (in C.C. 764/70).

The appellants immigrated in 1962. As they were unable to pay their passage and freight out of their own resources they received a loan of \$1,100 from the Jewish Agency for this purpose. In return for the loan they signed an undertaking to repay the Jewish Agency the \$1,100 between two to five years after the date of their arrival in Israel.

The appellants spent three and a half years in a kibbutz, and when they were eventually sued by the Jewish Agency for the return of the loan they claimed, in their defence, that they had been informed by a Mr. Haimowitz, who was the Jewish Agency representative in New York at the time, that the Agency would not demand the return of the loan if they spent at least two years in a kibbutz.

The Haifa District Court refused to allow the appellants to testify on their own behalf on the grounds that this would constitute a breach of Article 80 of the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure, which provides that a document in writing may not be challenged by oral evidence, save if that oral evidence is an admission on the part of the opposite party. On the strength of the latter proviso, however, the District Court allowed the testimony of Mr. Haimowitz, but found that it did not confirm the appellants' understanding of the situation. The District Court therefore allowed the Jewish Agency's claim.

In the appeal against this decision to the Supreme Court, Mr. I.Y. Shvili appeared for the appellants and Mr. Levavi and Mr. Ayal for the respondents.

Judgment

Justice Witkon, who delivered the first opinion of the Supreme Court, Justice Many concurring first, considered the question of the admissibility of the appellants' oral evidence. In holding that the District Court had been correct in refusing to admit this evidence, he pointed out that when a written document contains an unconditional and unqualified undertaking — as did the document signed by the appellants — then any condition or qualification ostensibly agreed upon verbally at the time of the written undertaking was deemed to constitute a rebuttal of the document and would, therefore, not be admissible as evidence by virtue of Article 80 of the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

Turning next to the oral promise of Mr. Haimowitz — which he agreed was admissible as it had constituted an admission on the part

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of the opposite party — Justice Witkon held, after studying it in detail, that it did in fact reveal that Mr. Haimowitz had soothed the fears of the appellants as to the fate of the loan from the Jewish Agency if they joined a kibbutz by assuring them that as kibbutz members had no private resources, the responsibility for the loan would fall on the kibbutz and not on them, as long as they stayed in the kibbutz for a reasonable period of time (and three years could be considered such a period). The appellants had, therefore, he concluded, been entitled to regard themselves as exempted from repaying the loan, after having been members of a kibbutz for 3½ years; and if this put the respondents out of pocket, it was not the fault of the appellants. The appeal should, therefore, be allowed, he held.

Justice Cohn

In concurring that the appeal should be allowed, Justice Cohn said that he fully agreed with Justice Witkon that the testimony of Mr. Haimowitz had been admissible, as being an admission on the part of the opposite party within the meaning of Article 80 of the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure, and that this evidence supplied more than enough justification for the conclusion that the Jewish Agency did, in fact, promise they would not claim defrayal of the loan if the appellants spent over three years in a kibbutz.

Moreover, Justice Cohn continued, he was of the opinion that the appellants themselves had been entitled to give oral evidence on this score, as this evidence would have complemented the contents of the written undertaking signed by the appellants and would not have rebutted it, and the Supreme Court has already held that only oral evidence which rebuts the contents of a written document is inadmissible (see C.A. 408/54, P.D. 10/997). In explaining his conclusion, Justice Cohn noted that the oral promise which the appellants claimed had been given to them did not negate the existence of the written agreement or its contents, but merely

added the reservation that the respondents would not sue the appellants on the strength of the written undertaking if they joined a kibbutz and spent a reasonable length of time there. Or, in other words, the appellants' oral evidence would have been evidence against the suit, as distinct from evidence against the document (see also C.A. 344, 64, 1 P.D. 19/294 and others).

Justice Cohn then went on to express his disapproval of the respondents' attempt to ignore the promise made by their representative to immigrants only because the latter, in all innocence or through misplaced confidence, had not insisted on getting it in writing. Even if it were to be assumed, he continued, that the respondents' claim had been brought in good faith in the absence of any knowledge on their part of the promise made by their New York representative, they should have withdrawn it after the latter had testified in court instead of trying to interpret this testimony to their own advantage.

In conclusion, Justice Cohn expressed the opinion that the time has come to wipe Article 80 of the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure of the Israel statute-book. Prominent jurists, he noted, have long since come to the conclusion that disqualifying oral evidence against the contents of a written document causes injustice and that the victim of this injustice is generally the underdog and have not (see McCormick on Evidence, 1954, pp. 427-8). In fact, he added, the Government has already drafted a bill in the right direction, proposing as it does that the Evidence Ordinance be amended so as to ensure that the contents of a written document be safeguarded against spurious claims to the existence of an over-riding oral agreement, while at the same time allowing of the admission of oral evidence to prove that the opposite party had undertaken not to enforce the written agreement in certain circumstances. And the sooner this draft bill became law the better.

Appeal allowed with IL1,200 costs. Judgment given on August 29, 1972.

Foiling the Toto 'fixers'

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Sportoto football coupon this week includes three English first division matches, on the assumption that they cannot be "bought" for purposes of a Toto scoop.

The coupon compilers were nasty enough to choose three of the trickiest of the English games. The Liverpool derby between Liverpool and Everton offers no easy choice to punters. Liverpool are top of the table with Everton in third place only one point behind. Liverpool might just have the edge, but a draw should not be excluded in forecasts.

Second-place Arsenal play away at Sheffield United. Here too the Arsenal attack led by Charlie George and Ray Kennedy should be able to save a point.

Leeds are again at home, but have another stiff test against the English league champions Derby County. Derby beat Spurs 2-1 last week, and here Spurs by the same score in a European Cup match in Yugoslavia. However, it would be extremely surprising if Leeds United lost two home games in succession, and this vote goes for a Leeds win.

In the home national league, one of the most interesting games does not appear on the Sportoto coupon. It is the clash in Rehovot between newly promoted Marmorek Hapoel against league champions Tel Aviv Maccabi. Marmorek did not look good at the Bloomfield Stadium last Saturday and have still to notch up their first home win this season. They have another tough nut to crack this week, but it should be a treat for Rehovot fans to entertain Spiegel, Barnur, Rosen, Taibi and co.

At the Bloomfield Stadium, Tel Aviv Betar are again at home, with Beersheba Hapoel as guests. The way the Negev team is playing this season, they will give Betar a hard game. If the Beersheba defenders can check Shimone Cohen, their chances of collecting points will be good.

A better bet for two points, though, appears to be Jaffa Maccabi, at home to Petah Tikva Hapoel. The Petah Tikva Hapoel attack has shown little to suggest it can unsettle the smart Jaffa defence, and the main problem will be for the Maccabi forwards to beat goalkeeper Visoker.

In the Capital, Jerusalem Hapoel

play at Katamon against Haifa Maccabi, surprise 2-1 winners over Haifa Hapoel last week. The Jerusalem attack lacks punch, and on that score alone Haifa Maccabi may well snatch the points.

The other Jerusalem club, Betar, play away against Haifa Hapoel, suffering from internal disputes. This unrest within the club may well have to do with Hapoel's conspicuous start to the season. A Haifa Hapoel team at its best would be worth two points against Jerusalem Betar, which has not yet found its best form of last season.

In Netanya, Maccabi is at home to the cupholders Tel Aviv Hapoel. The Tel Aviv side began the season with good wins, but it went down 0-1 against Jaffa Maccabi last week. Netanya Maccabi, too, came a 3-1 cropper in Kfar Saba. In Netanya the home side is quite a different proposition, and one point is the best one can envisage for the Tel Avivians in the resort town.

Petah Tikva Maccabi has so far shown distinct promise in the national league, and with two wins already behind it, it will enter the game against Kfar Saba with considerable confidence. The Kfar Saba 11 remain unbeaten, and an interest-

ing game is likely to develop. Believing that Maccabi have the more dangerous attack, I slightly favour them.

Hakoah at its best should dispose of the luckless Shimshon. Shimshon at full strength, however, and playing at home might well hold Hakoah. A draw result looks like a clear possibility.

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The astonishing growth of Maritime Fruit Carriers

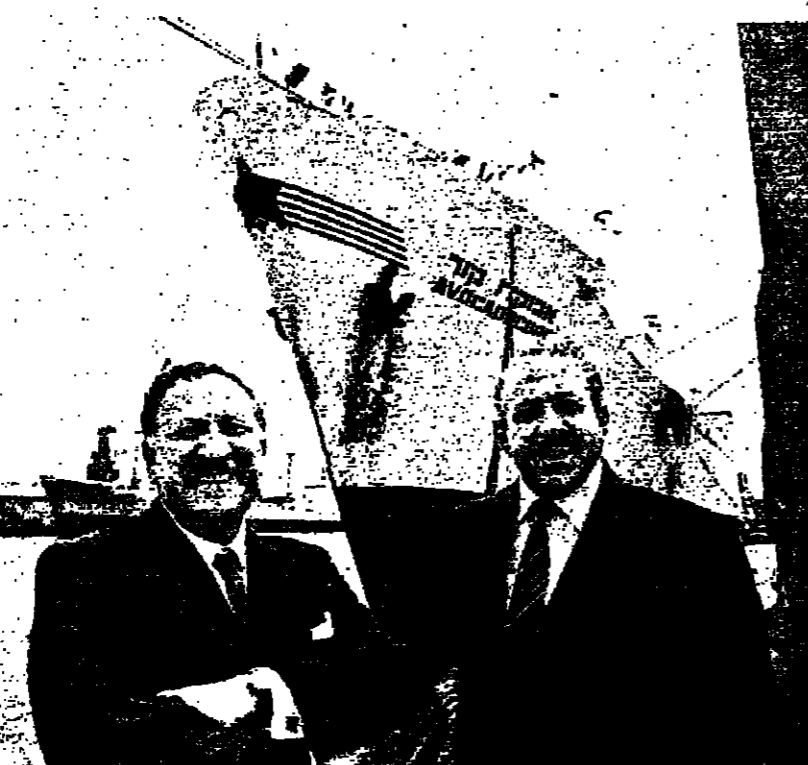
By MOSHE ATEE

ISRAEL is known to occupy a special place among developing countries on account of its high and persistent growth performance. As a rule, this is considered only a relation to its G.N.P. record, or even in the more limited context of its domestic product. Less attention is paid to the international aspect of the country's growth, though this has been quite remarkable.

Some of our building contractors, bankers, shipping companies, etc. are operating overseas on a scale which is often substantial even in comparison with that of bigger and richer nations. The virtually unique nature of this expansion is that it is based neither on any natural advantage in Israel's climate (this is more likely to be a disadvantage), nor on the fiscal temptations offered by certain "tax havens".

An outstanding example of enterprise in the international field is the Maritime Fruit Carriers Company, but which people in this country have heretofore heard very little information about its astonishing growth has now been provided by prospectus published in connection with a recent public issue of capital stock.

The company, which was established only ten years ago, presents a consolidated balance sheet of \$280m., apart from a few trifles of included. The notes issue, and a long-term bank credit associated with it, is designed to enable M.F.C. to repay some \$20m. of liabilities and to provide \$10m. of additional working capital. M.F.C. is already Israel's biggest commercial enterprise (larger than Zim) and is still growing rapidly. The prospectus makes it clear, that the company appreciates the value of its shares to more than double over the next decade.



Ya'acov Meridor (left) and Milo Brenner with one of their ships.

both because vessels provide excellent collateral for long-term loans on convenient terms and outright grants are made available by shipyards engaged in cut-throat competition and by governments interested in supporting their national shipbuilding industries.

The arrangements required for such financing are often very complex and delicate in particular because great discrimination is exercised in granting the subsidies, credits and insurance facilities. By and large, these are intended for residents of the particular country concerned, and in order to be eligible to qualify for them, the maritime operator must join hands with local companies, and devise special contractual and chartering arrangements. Thus, of the M.F.C.'s approximately \$215m. tanker construction programme, about 43 per cent will be financed by a U.S. Government subsidy (offsetting the high cost of constructing the vessels in Bethlehem Steel's Shipyards), three-quarters of the rest through the sale of 20-year bonds guaranteed by the U.S. Government, and the remaining quarter by credits from the First National Bank of Boston to its subsidiaries in which last M.F.C. will hold only 13 per cent.

thus effectively at M.F.C.'s disposal, and under its management, but the company's capital involvement in the project will be very small.

HOWEVER, while loans and shipyard subsidies have provided most of the funds for M.F.C.'s ventures, its major achievement lies not in the financing sphere, but in that of shipping proper. The company has established itself, and has been able to raise those funds, only because its operating performance has withstood the tests of international competition and freight rate slumps, and because its correct forecast of the relevant trends has put it in the vanguard of maritime technological progress.

This strong position naturally enables the group to influence market rates in its favour. Moreover, there are several advantages in operating a large fleet, which can be geared to the changing requirements of the world-wide demand for refrigerated cargo vessels. Over 70 per cent of inter-continental reefer shipments consist of bananas, citrus and deciduous fruit, meat and fish, all affected by seasonal factors, coming from many different countries and requiring calls that fit in with specific loading dates. A fleet positioned in various parts of the world and with a wide range of shipping contracts has the flexibility to link reefer trades and to reduce voyages in ballast, thus increasing its profitability.

With world living standards rising rapidly, the demand for reefer cargo space has been growing steadily. Over the past five years, some major trades have expanded by 30 per cent or more annually. By the same token, demand has also been rising for up-to-date reefers, which make possible the transport of large quantities of perishable food over considerable distances with a minimum loss of quality. Contrary to the ups and downs in dry cargo and tanker rates, reefer rates have been fairly stable and gradually rising, and M.F.C. has succeeded in securing for itself the cream of this traffic. Between 1969 and 1971, its revenue from reefers increased more than 50 per cent. Its reefer fleet will increase by almost one half over the next three years as the ships on order are delivered, and the revenue is expected to at least match this expansion.

M.F.C.'s entry in the oil tanker trade is of more recent date, but must also have been carried out with considerable acumen, as the revenue from it soared in 1971 notwithstanding the general decline in tanker rates. Incidentally, business connected with the Eilat-Ashdod pipeline accounts for only a fraction of M.F.C.'s tanker operations, and the Israeli trade accounted for only 15 per cent of last year's.

Another field into which M.F.C. is penetrating is liquefied gas transport, expected to expand rapidly owing to rising world demand for clean burning fuels. It has two liquefied gas carriers on order and their speed and sophisticated refrigerating and reliquifying facilities, will, it is hoped, provide them with a competitive advantage over most other vessels, so as to enable them to earn high profits, in the expected sellers' market.

Between 1967 and 1971, M.F.C.'s operating profit almost doubled every year, advancing from \$1.6m. to \$15m. net (after tax). Profits increased over the period from \$0.6m. to \$9.1m., and the net profit per share more than tripled. These profits were achieved despite the fact that the company has recently begun diversifying into several fields beyond shipping, which so far have involved, by and large, more outgoings than income.

These activities include not only a marine insurance subsidiary registered in Panama, and a fishing company (Atlantic Fisheries Ltd., which supplies deep-sea fish to the Israeli market), but also a number of oil drilling ventures ranging from the North Sea to the Adriatic, Eilat Bay and Uganda, and even grazing land in Australia.

M.F.C.'s consolidated balance sheet for the end of 1971 shows investments amounted to \$5.4m., which represented only 2 per cent of the total, but 18 per cent of the shareholders' equity. However, they are likely to increase in importance as time goes on and to affect — for better or for worse — the concern's remarkable profit performance.

In any case, an Israeli company engaged in the transport of oil on the seven seas or gas from, say, West Africa to America, or in overseas oil production, is a phenomenon worth watching. It is a heartening sign that the M.F.C.'s latest notes issue was floated in London despite the current scare of Arab retaliation. It fortifies one's belief that, in the long run, international trade will prevail over international terror.

Sea freight rates to go up New hotel group building from Eilat to Nahariya

Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — Maritime freight rates to and from Israel will go up by 10 to 20 per cent on January 1. The rise will increase the cost of Israel's foreign trade by some \$1,000m. over the \$1,900m. spent annually on freight rates for Israel's imports and exports.

Zim, which is a member of all conferences serving Israel, gave notice to the Shippers Council yesterday that it intends raising rates by 12 to 15 per cent on January 1. The Scandinavian lines have also posted notice of their intention to raise rates from January 1, in yesterday's Post, but have not yet announced the size of the raise.

Other shipping conferences are certain to follow suit, so that the raise will be general on all cargoes except those shipped by special contract, such as grains and citrus fruit, for which prices are fixed in negotiations between the ship owners and shippers.

The Zim spokesman told The Jerusalem Post that the raise would be part of a world-wide increase of freight rates slated for January, ranging from 10 to 20 per cent. He said the raises had become necessary, in view of the sharp increase in shipping costs, particularly of crews' wages, repairs, fuel, insurance and charters.

The secretary of the Shippers Council, Avish Meshulam, said negotiations are now in an advanced stage for the formulation of a code of practice between the council and the conferences, which would lay down the conditions for raising rates, which is now almost exclusively the prerogative of the conferences, who need to do no more than give prior notice. The code would also govern all relations between the parties. The main problem still to be ironed out in negotiations under the aegis of the Ministry are the terms for bidding arbitration in case the parties cannot reach agreement on any issue.

Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Five "Laromme" hotels, named after the European spelling of the Hebrew for "skywards", are to be built in Israel.

The foundations of two Laromme hotels have already been laid in Tel Aviv, work on building a third one in Eilat is in progress and plans for building Laromme hotels in Jerusalem and Nahariya are in the advanced stages, Mr. Memmy De Shalit, director-general of the newly formed Sotef Co., which is to manage the hotels, said yesterday.

The first hotel in Tel Aviv will rise in the former Manshiel Quarter (now almost totally evacuated). It will have 504 rooms. Completion date is set for early 1975.

The second hotel will be located at 121-123 Hayarkon St., on the site of the former "red house" which served as Hagana headquarters during the 1948 War of Independence. It will have 396 rooms and is scheduled to be finished in early 1975. (It is a short distance from the Dan Hotel).

The Laromme hotel in Eilat will be finished in two stages. The first stage, of 170 rooms, will be opened in the spring of 1973, and the second stage, of 137 rooms, only at the end of 1973.

The hotel in Jerusalem will have 400 rooms, and that in Nahariya will have 216 rooms.

Each of the hotels will be owned by different companies, some of which will sell shares to the public. All five hotels will cost about \$1,900m. to build and equip. El Aj will invest 10 per cent of the cost of each of the five hotels, "thus following in the footsteps of other air companies which have invested in hotels to assure their patrons accommodations at their destinations," Mr. De Shalit said.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Prices up, market active

TEL AVIV. — Stock prices advanced further in very active trading and still-rising volume yesterday with \$1.62m. worth of shares traded, including almost \$1.5m. in the variables.

The General Index of Share Prices rose by 0.75 per cent to stand at 291.29.

The bank section was the most active, and rose more than other sections. Real estate was mixed. Industrials were rather dull, with the exception of Paper Mills, which fell 2 points on a heavy volume of 65,000 shares. Oil was firm, and investment companies were again mixed.

Five companies had more than 100,000 shares of their stock traded: I.D.B. Bankholding preferred, 174,500 shares; on a rise of 9 1/2 points, to 262.5; I.D.B. bankholding ordinary up 8 points to 252.5 (171,200); Hapoalim, third most active, with 120,000 shares, up 4 to 310; and Clal investment was fourth with 103,900 shares, up one point.

Anglo-Israeli was fifth on the most active list, and the exception in the land section, with a rise of 6 1/2 points to 136. These shares can be converted into C-o-L-linked bonds, but at present they seem to attract buyers for the property the company owns.

Dealings in Tetahot were stopped after the opening quote, which was unchanged for the preferred shares and up 1 1/2 for the ordinary with a turnover of 32,000 shares. The company announced that a one-for-five rights issue will be sold at the price of 135. At the present price,

A RAMADAN CLEAN-UP by Gaza schoolchildren will begin on Sunday, with Gaza municipal councilmen pitching in for the first few days, the Municipality decided on Tuesday. The children will continue with the month-long clean-up of the town, the first such campaign in Gaza, until the Id el-Fitr holiday marking the end of the fast month.

Third biggest diamond sold

NEW YORK (Reuters). — Harry Winston, the world's biggest diamond merchant, yesterday said he has purchased the Star of Sierra Leone — the world's third largest diamond — for "several million dollars." He declined to give the exact purchase price, citing "security reasons."

Mr. Winston said he plans to show the stone in leading world museums over the next one and a half to two years, donating a portion of the resulting fees to charity.

Then, after an additional seven months of study, an attempt will be made to cut the gem — which is the world's largest alluvial diamond.

Mr. Winston said he hopes the cutting will result in approximately 400-carats of polished diamonds. He said the Star in its present rough state weighs some 970 carats.

The sale of the stone was announced in Freetown yesterday by Sierra Leone President Siaka Stevens. He did not disclose the purchaser.

WALL STREET

Mart in modest gains

NEW YORK (AP). — The Stock Market achieved some modest gains yesterday on selective buying, but the move lost its energy in the afternoon. Trading was moderate at midday, but reverted later to a slow pace.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial fell back near the close. It had advanced 5.78 at noon, as institutional buyers moved in on some of the cyclical stocks that had been depressed in the recent downturn.

A.T.&T., an active issue was up 1/4 to 48 3/4, as block trades moved across the board. The issue apparently was benefiting from a switch

Foreign Exchange

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Right man at right job

THE Prime Minister's surprise move appointing Aduf (Res.) Aharon Yariv to be his special adviser, in charge mainly of coordinating the security and intelligence services, will be welcomed by all Israelis. Defence Minister Moshe Dayan expressed these sentiments when he called Yariv "one of the best and most experienced people we have."

"Why don't you come back- your chair is still empty."



ISRAEL PRESS

Sadat's trial balloon

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) is of the opinion that the reported new American peace plan is nothing but a trial balloon by Mr. Sadat, who wished thereby to signal to the U.S. that it would be appropriate to enter negotiations on a political settlement in the spirit of the Rogers plan. The paper comments: "This is a move in the right direction, provided the Egyptian President appreciates that a settlement cannot be imposed, and that only Egypt and Israel can negotiate without prior conditions."

FOREIGN PRESS

Reminded of Auschwitz

The Lebanese newspaper Al-Hayat welcomed the measures taken by the Palestinian terrorists to deprive Israel of any pretext to attack Lebanon. The paper said "if the measures had been taken earlier and at the opportune time, they would have saved Lebanon and the resistance movement a lot of tension and misunderstanding."

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'VITAL DETAILS HAVE NOT BEEN PUBLISHED' The mystery of the new bank

AFTER several delays the First International Bank of Israel has started operations, with a strange mixture of festivity and secrecy. Official spokesmen have hailed it as a major advance in Israeli banking, and as the largest single foreign investment ever made in this country. But the public has been left bewildered about the new bank's purpose and status, as vital details of the agreement between its shareholders and the Government have not been published. And queries about the Government's massive participation in a bank controlled by foreigners have not even been as much as headed.

Economic Editor MOSHE ATER questions the Government's sanctioning of and participation in the founding of the First International Bank of Israel. active part in it in order to carry out credit policies which the cartel of the existing banks may be unwilling to support. But it is worth examining what this argument actually means. The leader of the alleged cartel is the Bank Leumi, owned by the Jewish Agency. Another of the Big Three is Bank Hapoalim, controlled by the Histadrut. It is against these "profiteers" that the First Pennsylvania Corporation, Triumph Investment Trust, Israel Investors, Mayer Investment, etc. had to be invoked. And it is by means of minority holding in the new bank's share capital that the Government aims to prevail where it fails to carry out its policies by open legal and administrative controls. If F.I.B.I. has indeed been intended to play such a role, this must be understood as a damning rejection of the ordinary machinery of democratic government.

Force for inflation But that is not the whole story. The new bank has been given the green light at a moment when the rest of our banking is subject to a severe freeze. Liquidity regulations have been stiffened to such an extent that bank credits can be expanded almost exclusively from accumulation of the banks' own capital. Of the 11.5Bm. added to free bank credit since the period January to July 1972, 11.5Bm. was financed by additions to the banks' share capital, reserves, or capital notes. In these circumstances, the infusion of substantial amounts of F.I.B.I. capital is bound to be disturbing. To be sure, of the F.I.B.I.'s 11.5Bm. paid up capital to date, 11.47m. have been absorbed by purchasing the two banks taken over, but this still leaves 11.57m. free to which about 11.5Bm. is to be added over the next two years, and most of it is to be provided by the Treasury. Moreover, the other Big Three will doubtless be forced to intensify their efforts to raise additional capital in order to keep abreast of the newcomer. While the result of this development may be a welcome addition to the financial strength of our banking institutions, one cannot help wondering whether this fits in with the professed official policy of combatting inflationary pressure. Israel banks have been raising new capital because the high level of interest rates prevailing in this country allows them to earn good profits. But the interest rates are high owing to the excess liquidity, and to the tight money policy intended to check its impact. Into this vicious circle the F.I.B.I. project may fit in perfectly. But one would like to see a sign of better financial planning.

Gets unusual terms

Against this background, one cannot but wonder about the facilities that have been provided for First International Participants in this venture have been granted the status of "approved investment," entitling them to a 25 per cent tax ceiling and to eventual repatriation of principal, on top of which this capital is entitled to insurance

Won't help economy

But to what extent will Israel economy benefit from this venture? One may expect the bank to charge slightly lower interest during the initial period, in order to capture business and expand rapidly. But in the longer run, there is no reason for it to behave differently from the present Big Three. American and British financiers — who control over 60 per cent of F.I.B.I.'s capital — do not ordinarily operate in order to humour people. Competition between four banks may be somewhat tougher in favour of the public than of the old three. On the other hand, economies of scale will be adversely affected by the emergence of a fourth competitor in the small Israel place. There remains one argument which some people consider crucial: a new major bank had to be set up with the Government taking

WAR IS NOT ALL VICTORY

From a speech delivered by Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, the Secretary-General of the Histadrut at a special session of the Histadrut Council held in memory of the victims of the Munich massacre, 30 days ago. Thirty days ago the innocent blood of Jews was split on foreign soil and in a place that has soaked up the blood and ashes of millions in the past. Envoys of Israel who accepted the invitation to participate in what was to have been a symbolic display of peace and brotherhood among men — the 1972 Olympic Games — were murdered by ruthless assassins. The mourning and the anger will not be assuaged until murder nourished by hatred for the Jews and hostility towards the remnant of the historic homeland of our people are finally uprooted. The men who died at Munich are not the victims only of gangs of murderers. All mankind shares in the heavy responsibility for the spilling of innocent blood in air-liners, at airports, at road junctions, on the highways and at congresses. Since earliest times, neither gifts, bribes and appeasement nor gifts, bribes and appeasement have ever saved peace between nations or respected human lives. When powerful states give in to blackmail by a small body of unscrupulous murderers, this only serves to encourage those who have put themselves

Must take stock Perhaps we too need to take stock of our position; to examine how we can best defend ourselves in such a time. For it should be remembered that unlike other nations and unlike the host country, we knew of their intentions; we knew and were aware of the terrorist cells; we knew, and we cautioned ourselves over and over again. Nor has there been any case of an Israeli envoy going abroad without due warning as to what might happen to him on his travels. The strength of this new state of Israel lies in its ability to face the truth and not seek easy excuses or place the blame on others for maltreatment at home and abroad. We have to learn. This is a war. War means not only gains and victories. We have taken a most terrible blow; our blood has been spilled like water. But never again — never again! We are involved in many cam-

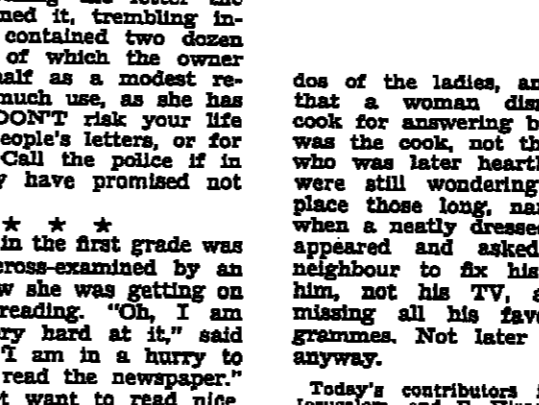
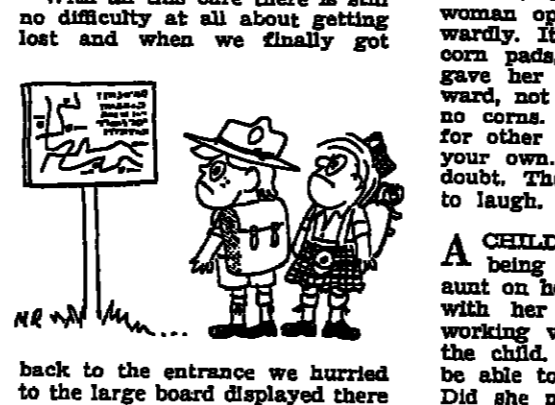
World appeal At the same time it cannot be stressed too strongly that we here in Israel are in no way partners to the cold war waged between the great powers. Our sole concern here and in the Zionist movement is for the Jewish people in Israel and abroad, for their right to live a free national life wherever they may be and the right to come and live in this country to become part of its people, if they so desire. The fact that there could be alternatives for their Jewishness while attending an entirely innocent gathering of sportsmen — an occasion that symbolizes youth, joie de vivre, and pride of achievement in physical attainments — that such a time be chosen for so dastardly an act, shows us all, young and old alike, Jews and non-Jews alike in this country, that the struggle in which Israel is engaged is as yet at its height; that a great deal yet remains to be done together. Yet you now see the problem of achieving unity within. A tough struggle lies before us, war and conflict, and yet our way is that of constructive action and dedication — by the peaceful ways of Israel's ideals and not by the terrorist methods of "Black September."

KEEPING POSTED

WHEN you think how difficult it usually is to discover which bus goes where in town, we have often marvelled at the thoughtful signs and notices put up by the Nature Reserves Association. They mark paths in different colours as though this were tidy Switzerland, they warn you not to fall off cliffs, point out the beauties of nature and in places even tell you what animals you are likely to see. In the jingly thickets of the nature reserve at the source of the Dan, the paths criss-cross like the creepers. You fight your way through some scratchy bushes to the edge of the river to read a notice overhanging the water that says "View of the River." In the cool silence under the tall trees you can even find a forbidding "No Entrance" notice across a path. We had come up the path quite legally from the other end and knew that it was neither a dead end nor the establishment, it simply did not figure on either the green, white or yellow route. With all this care there is still no difficulty at all about getting lost and when we finally got

showing the several paths and points of interest in order to settle the argument which of us it was who had insisted on taking the signs and notices from England was studying the map rather helplessly as all the lettering is in Hebrew, and asked us to explain. There is a kiosk nearby, but it was shut. Otherwise we might have told them that there is a notice at the bottom of the board also in Hebrew saying "Copies of this guide in English may be obtained at the kiosk." A WOMAN in Tel Aviv says that a few days ago a frightened neighbour turned up at her shop and asked whether she was willing to take the risk of opening a letter she had just received from the U.S. There seemed to be something round and bulky inside, could it be a booby-trap? Did she know the name written on the back? Yes, she knew the name and the town, but this "Pennsylvania" was a bit unfamiliar. Wondering why she had been picked to risk her life opening the letter the woman opened it, trembling inwardly. It contained two dozen corn pads, of which the owner gave her half as a modest reward for not using, as she has no corn. DON'T risk your life for other people's letters, or for your own. Call the police if in doubt. They have promised not to laugh. A CHILD in the first grade was being cross-examined by an aunt on how she was getting on with her reading. "I am working very hard at it," said the child. "I am in a hurry to be able to read the newspaper." Did she not want to read nice,

Struggle continues The Jewish people, the State of Israel, will have their revenge — but it will be through constructive action in our country, through the absorption of thousands of immigrants, through the build-up of Jewish strength. But there will also be revenge openly against crime and murder wherever the Israeli security forces will be called upon to strike. We must all intensify our alertness and heighten our skill in organizing our life and adapting it to whatever situation may arise at any time. The Histadrut Council appeals to all men of goodwill on earth, and in the first place to workers everywhere, both in the people's democracies and in the free democratic world, in the Arab and Islamic countries in Asia and Africa we appeal to Christians, Buddhists and Moslems alike, to people of all creeds and ideologies with this warning: anti-Semitism and hatred for the Jews culminating in murder undermines world peace and threatens the moral fibre and existence of all ideologies and faiths. It is not for our own sake alone that we appeal to you. We have grown in stature, maturity and strength. We have fought out our battles with our own forces. We do not ask you to spill your blood for our sake, and yet the words of the prophets of Israel in the past are equally relevant to the present: peace is indivisible, love for one's fellow-man, security and human rights are indivisible. Hatred and hostility towards the Jews and the denial of rights to Jews, are sins that increase in intensity and for which there can be no forgiveness. Entire peoples and cultures must accept responsibility for such outgrowths.



Today's contributors include J.S. Jerusalem, and E. Hirsch, Tel Aviv.

RITMEESTER Saluto THE PERFECT SMALL CUP OF OUTSTANDING QUALITY. Readers letters SEVERANCE GRANTS To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In your issue of September 12, I read that the head of the port's cargo-handling department in Haifa has resigned and was granted a full pension, in addition to severance pay of 1140,000. There are two facts that I fail to understand: First, as far as I know, if somebody resigns of his own free will, he is not entitled to severance pay. Second, if somebody was granted a full pension, how can he receive severance pay also? ALEXANDER SHEARON Jerusalem, Sept. 16. Our Haifa Reporter comments: Severance pay is customary for employees who have worked for more than ten years, even if they resign. In this case the sum paid was not the statutory severance pay, but a severance grant. This also answers the second question. In this case, the port management was no less interested than the resigning department head that he vacate the position, and was thus interested in giving him the grant. A similar practice is customary in many private firms. In my opinion, there are many cases where the employers would be well served by offering a severance grant to employees who hold on to their jobs although they no longer contribute anything to the firm, and who might be induced to leave if offered a large enough grant, as this would be to their mutual advantage.

APPEAL FOR BOOKS To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The Jerusalem Mental Health Centre-Ezrath Nashim is developing its patient library. Contributions of books in Rumanian, Polish, Russian, Hungarian and easy Hebrew would be deeply appreciated. Many of our patients ask for stories in Hebrew with a Jewish content, and we have many requests for books with commentaries. Magazines in Hebrew would also be very useful. Postage on all parcels will be refunded where requested. Books should be sent to: The John Dvor Memorial Library, Jerusalem Mental Health Centre-Ezrath Nashim, P.O.B. 140, Jerusalem. BERNICE WIZ Coordinator of Volunteer Activities Jerusalem Mental Health Centre-Ezrath Nashim. Jerusalem, Sept. 28.

PEN FRIENDS JOSEPH JOLLY (89), of 222/1/87, Chitour Road, Cochin, India, like to have Israeli penfriends. His hobbies are music, movies and sports. MARIA ANJA KERNMAN (51), of P. O. Box 71, Cochin, Kerala, India, would like to have penfriends. She is now in the States from Holland four years ago and would like to have young Israeli penfriends.

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